## **Interference Web Portal changes**

Starting October 8, 2014, users with an email user id will need to create a new password following the USPTO Security Guidelines

- The USPTO password standards require a password that must contain at least 3 of the following 4 categories of characters:
  - (1) English upper-case characters (A-Z);
  - (2) English lower-case characters (a-z);
  - (3) At least one number (0-9); and
  - (4) Non-alphanumeric characters these are allowed: ! @ # \$ % ^ & \* ( )
- The password must be a minimum of 12 characters in length
- Users will need to change their password every 60 days

If you forget your password, you can click on the 'Forgot My Password' link and a new password will be sent to your email address associated with your user id.

Changes in the I-filing system that will affect all users:

- Users will be able to download up to 10 documents or a single document of a file size of 300 Mb in an interference case in a single session. This is due to the bandwidth limitation and larger file size downloads have been disabling the system.
- 2. Users will see a separate exhibit tab for the interference case.
- 3. There is no longer an option to "Select All" for downloading the file contents of an interference case.

Changes for the party filer:

- 1. Single document upload will require a user to select a document type
- 2. Two emails will be sent to the party filer and opposing party when documents are uploaded & submitted into the system.
  - a. The first one will be the submission receipt email:

"USPTO received your submission at XX:XX EDT Month Date, Year. You have to wait up to 24 hours for the system to process your files in Interference Number: XXXXXX

The Following Documents were Filed by: ZZZZ

yyyy.pdf

Document Name: yyyy Paper Type: Document Type

Access Type: Public"

b. The second will be the processed by the system email:

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"The document received on XX:XX EDT Month Date, Year has been processed by the system. The document in the Interference number XXXXXX is available in the system for viewing.

Name of the file is: yyyy.pdf in Interference number: XXXXXX."

3. A single pdf file size greater than 25 MB will need to be divided into smaller pdf files. The smaller pdf files can be uploaded in a single session and then combined as one file by the system. Note that maximum number of files that can be consolidated is 10 files and a file size of up to 250 MB.

Any questions, please contact the Interference Help Desk at 571-272-4683.

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